

**In the Claims**

Please cancel claims 1, 5, and 31 - 36 without prejudice, add claim 37, and amend claims 2, 3, 6 - 10, 18 - 23, and 26 - 30, as indicated herein.

Claim 1 (Cancelled)

Claim 2 (Amended) An eraser as set forth in claim 37 ~~4~~, wherein the skeleton structure is constituted by a porous structural material ~~that is broken when rubbed~~.

Claim 3 (Amended) An eraser as set forth in claim 37 ~~4~~, wherein the ~~said~~ skeleton structure is continuous.

Claim 4 (Original) An eraser as set forth in claim 2, wherein the porous structural material is made from an organic polymer.

Claim 5 (Cancelled)

Claim 6 (Amended) An eraser set forth in claim 37 ~~5~~, wherein the elastic material for erasing ~~of the eraser composition~~ has a filling rate in a range from not less than 50 % to less than 100 % with respect to an ~~the~~ entire volume of the void portions of the porous structural material.

Claim 7 (Amended) An eraser as set forth in claim 2, wherein the porous structural material ~~of the skeleton structure~~ and the elastic material for erasing ~~of the eraser composition~~ are integrated into a composite part.

Claim 8 (Amended) An eraser as set forth in claim 37 ~~4~~, wherein the skeleton portion ~~portions~~ of the skeleton structure has ~~have~~ an average thickness of 1 to 100  $\mu\text{m}$ .

Claim 9 (Amended) An eraser as set forth in claim 37 ~~4~~, wherein the void portion ~~portions~~ of the skeleton structure has ~~have~~ an average pore size of 10  $\mu\text{m}$  to 3 mm.

Claim 10 (Amended) An eraser as set forth in claim 2, wherein the porous structural material of ~~the skeleton structure~~ contains a ~~the~~ cross sectional shape with virtually polygonal or virtually circular cells.

Claim 11 (Original) An eraser as set forth in claim 2, wherein the porous structural material is foamed structural material.

Claim 12 (Original) An eraser as set forth in claim 2, wherein the porous structural material is a mesh structural material.

Claim 13 (Original) An eraser as set forth in claim 11, wherein the porous structural material is a stereoscopic mesh structural material.

Claim 14 (Original) An eraser as set forth in claim 2, wherein the porous structural material has a tensile strength of not more than  $3 \text{ kgf/cm}^2$ .

Claim 15 (Original) An eraser as set forth in claim 2, wherein the porous structural material has an extension percentage of not more than 500 %.

Claim 16 (Original) An eraser as set forth in claim 2, wherein the porous structural material has a compression repulsive force of not less than 0.2 kgf.

Claim 17 (Original) An eraser as set forth in claim 2, wherein the porous structural material has a tensile strength of not more than  $3 \text{ kgf/cm}^2$ , an extension percentage of not more than 500 %, and a compression repulsive force of not less than 0.2 kgf.

Claim 18 (Amended) An eraser as set forth in claim 37 ~~4~~, wherein the eraser has a surface hardness of 50 to 80.

Claim 19 (Amended) An eraser as set forth in claim 37 ~~4~~, wherein the eraser has a sticking strength of 1.5 to 20 kgf (~~kgf~~).

Claim 20 (Amended) An eraser as set forth in claim 37 4, wherein the eraser has a coefficient of friction of not more than 0.8.

Claim 21 (Amended) An eraser as set forth in claim 37 4, wherein the eraser has a wear rate of ~~abrasion~~ of not less than 1 %.

Claim 22 (Amended) An eraser having a surface hardness of 50 to 80, a sticking strength of 1.5 to 20 kgf (~~kgf~~), a coefficient of friction of not more than 0.8 and a wear rate of ~~abrasion~~ of not less than 1 %.

Claim 23 (Amended) An eraser as set forth in claim 2, wherein at least one of the porous structural material and the elastic material for erasing of ~~the composition~~ is colored.

Claim 24 (Original) An eraser as set forth in claim 2, wherein the skeleton structure is constituted by a plurality of blocks of porous structural materials.

Claim 25 (Original) An eraser as set forth in claim 24, wherein the blocks have at least one shape selected from the group consisting of spherical, polygonal, and plate shapes.

Claim 26 (Amended) An eraser as set forth in claim 37 4, which is an exchanging-use eraser that is in combination with ~~used for~~ at least one member selected from the group consisting of a feeding-type eraser, a knocking-type eraser, an eraser attached to an end of a mechanical pencil, and an electric-type eraser.

Claim 27 (Amended) A feeding type eraser to which the eraser set forth in claim 37 4 is attached.

Claim 28 (Amended) A knocking-type eraser to which the eraser set forth in claim 37 4 is attached.

Claim 29 (Amended) A mechanical pencil having an end plug portion to which the eraser set forth in claim 37 + is attached.

Claim 30 (Amended) An electric-eraser having an eraser holder to which the eraser set forth in claim 37 + is attached.

Claims 31 - 36 (Cancelled)

Claim 37 (New) An eraser comprising:

a skeleton structure that comprises a skeleton portion and a void portion, wherein:

the void portion is filled with an elastic material for erasing selected from the group consisting of a rubber component, a resin component, and mixtures thereof, and

the skeleton portion at an erasing surface of the elastic material is broken from the eraser by a deformation force and becomes part of an eraser scrap as the eraser is used, the eraser scrap includes the broken skeleton portion and the elastic material that has worn off the eraser as the eraser is used.